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Public Hearing Scheduled for Preliminary Engineering Study to Reconstruct US 34

YORKVILLE – The Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) will host a public hearing Tuesday, Sept. 29 regarding the preliminary engineering study to reconstruct US 34 from Eldamain Road to Center Parkway in Yorkville.

The proposed project includes reconstruction of US 34 to provide two lanes in each direction with enclosed drainage and a two-way left turn lane median. Existing traffic signals will be maintained or upgraded, sidewalk and shared use path will be constructed and intersections will be upgraded as necessary. The Blackberry Creek Bridge and the Rob Roy Creek Culvert will be replaced. Mitigation is proposed for impacts to the Blackberry Creek floodplain. Retaining walls are proposed near Game Farm Road. Noise barrier walls are proposed along the south side of US 34 near Diehl Farm Road and Game Farm Road. Temporary closures of some intersecting local streets and entrances are anticipated during construction. Additional right-of-way and easements will be required throughout the project.

Sept. 29, 2015

4 – 7 p.m.

**Yorkville Public Library Meeting Room
902 Game Farm Road
Yorkville, Ill. 60560**

The purpose of the hearing is to present proposed project information, potential impacts and to answer project questions and receive public comments. The public hearing will be conducted in an open house format with no formal presentation. IDOT personnel will be available to answer questions. Exhibits, maps, plans, noise analysis and the preliminary engineering report will be available for review during the hearing and for two weeks following the hearing at IDOT's District 3 office in Ottawa. The hearing exhibits will also be available for two weeks following the hearing at the Yorkville City Hall. All interested persons are invited to attend and

participate. Comments received by Oct. 13, 2015 will be considered as the preliminary engineering study is finalized.

Persons with a disability planning to attend this meeting should contact Dave Alexander by Sept. 23, 2015 to advise of planned attendance. The contact may be by telephone (815) 434-8468, in writing to the Illinois Department of Transportation, 700 East Norris Drive, Ottawa, Illinois 61350, by fax (815) 434-8951, or by telecommunications device for the hearing impaired (TTY) at (800-526-0844) or through the Illinois Relay Center (800-526-0857). If special accommodations are needed, the contact person should be informed at the time of contact. The meeting room is accessible to persons with a disability.